

Remarks

Claims 1-14 are at issue. Claims 15-18 have been withdrawn. Claims 5, 8-14 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Claims 1-4, 6, 8-11 & 13 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kucharczyk et al in view of SU 1,152,921. Claims 5 & 12 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kucharczyk et al in view of SU 1,152,921 further in view of Dunbar. Claim 7 & 14 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kucharczyk et al in view of SU 1,152,921 and further in view of Dunbar.

Claims 5 & 8 have been amended to overcome the indefiniteness concerns of the Examiner.

A key point to the present invention, is that the crane fits in a container and therefore the crane cannot hang too low from the ceiling and still be useful. (See page 2, paragraph 1 last sentence) The SU 1,152,921 disclosure has a winch carriage 10 that hangs below the I beam 4 and would take up too much space in a container.

Claim 1 requires that the beam the winch carriage runs on is a "L" beam. Both Kucharczyk and SU 1,152,921 show I beams. Note that SU 1,152,921 has a winch carriage that hangs below the second frame beam depth 1. Thus the combination of Kucharczyk and SU 1,152,921 does not meet this limitation. Claim 1 is allowable.

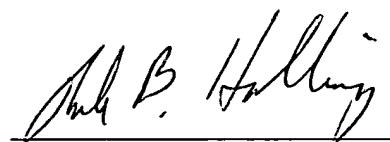
Claims 2-7 are allowable as being dependent upon an allowable base claim.

Claim 8 requires an "L beam". Both Kucharczyk and SU 1,152,921 show I beams. Note that SU 1,152,921 has a winch carriage that hangs below the second frame beam depth 1. Thus the combination of Kucharczyk and SU 1,152,921 does not meet this limitation. Claim 8 is allowable.

Claims 9-14 are allowable as being dependent upon an allowable base claim.

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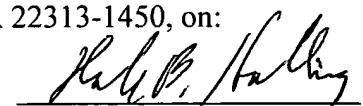
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